



ITW

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

re Patent Application of

BOVIN et al

Atty. Ref.: LCM-4970-2

Serial No. 10/593,829

TC/A.U.: 1623

Filed: September 22, 2006

Examiner: Bland, Layla D.

For: SYNTHETIC MEMBRANE ANCHORS

\* \* \* \* \*

May 13, 2008

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statement filed May 12, 2008, and as suggested by 37 C.F.R. 1.97, the undersigned attorney brings to the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office the attached copy of the reference listed on the form PTO/SB/08a as indicated by an asterisk (\*) on the IDS filed May 12, 2008.

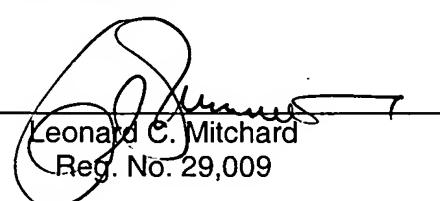
This is not to be construed as a representation that a search has been made or that no better prior art exists, or that a reference is relevant merely because cited.

The Examiner is requested to initial the attached form PTO/SB/08a and to return a copy of the initialed document to the undersigned as an indication that the attached reference has been considered and made of record.

Respectfully submitted,

**NIXON & VANDERHYE P.C.**

By: \_\_\_\_\_

  
Leonard C. Mitchard  
Reg. No. 29,009

LCM:Iff

901 North Glebe Road, 11th Floor  
Arlington, VA 22203-1808  
Telephone: (703) 816-4000  
Facsimile: (703) 816-4100